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Applicant filed an Issue Payment on August 26, 2005, and have not received an Issue Notification for the above-identified patent application. In view of the extended period of time since the payment of the Issue Fee, Applicant respectfully requests to be informed of the status of the Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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